

between LG&E and American Municipal Power-Ohio, Inc. under LG&E's Open Access Transmission Tariff.

*Comment date:* January 20, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 26. Louisville Gas and Electric Company

[Docket No. ER98-976-000]

Take notice that on December 8, 1997, Louisville Gas and Electric Company (LG&E) tendered for filing an executed Short-Term Firm Point-To-Point Transmission Service Agreement between LG&E and Sonat Power Marketing L.P. under LG&E's Open Access Transmission Tariff.

*Comment date:* January 20, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 27. Louisville Gas and Electric Company

[Docket No. ER98-977-000]

Take notice that on December 8, 1997 Louisville Gas and Electric Company tendered for filing copies of a service agreement between Louisville Gas and Electric Company and City Water Light and Power (CWLP) under Rate GSS.

*Comment date:* January 20, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 28. FirstEnergy System

[Docket No. ER98-978-000]

Take notice that on December 6, 1997, FirstEnergy System filed Service Agreements to provide Non-Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service for Bulk Power—FirstEnergy Corp., CMS Marketing, Services and Trading Company, Coral Power, L.L.C., The Power Company of America, L.P., and Southern Energy Trading and Marketing, Inc., the Transmission Customers. Services are being provided under the FirstEnergy System Open Access Transmission Tariff submitted for filing by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in Docket No. ER97-412-000. The proposed effective date under the Service Agreements is December 1, 1997.

*Comment date:* January 20, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 29. Pennsylvania Power Company

[Docket No. ER98-979-000]

Take notice that on December 9, 1997, First Energy Corp. ("First Energy") submitted a form of Service Agreement for Network Integration Service Under the Pennsylvania Retail Access Pilot ("Agreement") as attachment J to the FirstEnergy Open Access Transmission

Tariff ("Tariff"). Also filed as Attachment K to the Tariff is the Index of Network Integration Transmission Service Customers Under the Pennsylvania Retail Access Pilot ("Index"). The Agreement and Index are consistent with the Tariff which became effective November 8, 1997 subject to refund by Federal Energy Regulatory Commission order in Docket No. ER97-4142. The proposed effective date for the Agreement and Index is January 1, 1998.

Copies of the filing have been provided to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission and the designated agents for Pennsylvania Retail Access Program customers currently being served under the Ohio Edison Open Access Tariff.

*Comment date:* January 20, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 30. Central Illinois Public Service Company

[Docket No. ER98-980-000]

Take notice that on December 9, 1997, Central Illinois Public Service Company ("CIPS") submitted a Service Agreement, dated November 24, 1997, establishing Entergy Power Marketing Corp. as a customer under the terms of CIPS' Coordination Sales Tariff CST-1 ("CST-1 Tariff").

CIPS requests an effective date of November 24, 1997 for the service agreement and the revised Index of Customers. Accordingly, CIPS requests waiver of the Commission's notice requirements. Copies of this filing were served upon Entergy Power Marketing Corp. and the Illinois Commerce Commission.

*Comment date:* January 20, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 31. Southern Company Services, Inc.

[Docket No. ER98-981-000]

Take notice that on December 9, 1997, Southern Company Services, Inc. ("SCS"), acting on behalf of Alabama Power Company, Georgia Power Company, Gulf Power Company, Mississippi Power Company, and Savannah Electric and Power Company (collectively referred to as "Southern Company") filed two (2) umbrella service agreements for short-term firm point-to-point transmission service under Part II of the Open Access Transmission Tariff of Southern Company. The agreements for firm transmission service are between SCS, as agent for Southern Company, and (i) The Energy Authority, Inc., and (ii) Morgan Stanley Capital Group Inc.

*Comment date:* January 20, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 32. Duquesne Light Company

[Docket No. ER98-982-000]

Take notice that on December 9, 1997, Duquesne Light Company ("DLC") filed a Service Agreement dated November 26, 1997 with DTE-CoEnergy L.L.C. under DLC's FERC Coordination Sales Tariff ("Tariff"). The Service Agreement adds DTE-CoEnergy L.L.C. as a customer under the Tariff. DLC requests an effective date of November 26, 1997 for the Service Agreement.

*Comment date:* January 20, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### Standard Paragraph

E. Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

**David P. Boergers,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission

January 7, 1998.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Communications Commission, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection(s), as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13. An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection

of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) that does not display a valid control number.

Comments are requested concerning: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted on or before March 16, 1998. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all comments to Judy Boley, Federal Communications Commission, Room 234, 1919 M St., N.W., Washington, DC 20554 or via internet to jboley@fcc.gov.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information or copies of the information collection(s), contact Judy Boley at 202-418-0214 or via internet at jboley@fcc.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*OMB Control No.:* 3060-0320.  
*Title:* Section 73.1350, Transmission System Order.

*Form No.:* N/A.  
*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.  
*Respondents:* Businesses or other for profit; not-for-profit institutions.  
*Number of Respondents:* 417.  
*Estimated Time Per Response:* 0.5 hours.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion reporting requirement.

*Cost to Respondents:* N/A.  
*Total Annual Burden:* 209 hours.  
*Needs and Uses:* Section 73.1350(g) requires licensees to submit a notification to the FCC in Washington, DC whenever a transmission system control point is established at a location other than at the main studio or transmitter within 3 days of the initial use of that point. This notification is not required if responsible station personnel can be contacted at the transmitter or studio site during hours of operation. The data is used by FCC staff to maintain complete operating information regarding licensees to be used in the event that FCC field staff

needs to contact the station about interference.

*OMB Control No.:* 3060-0630.  
*Title:* Section 73.62, Directional Antenna System Tolerances.

*Form No.:* N/A.  
*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.  
*Respondents:* Businesses or other for profit; not-for-profit institutions.  
*Number of Respondents:* 750.  
*Estimated Time Per Response:* 4.5 hours.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion reporting requirement.

*Cost to Respondents:* N/A.  
*Total Annual Burden:* 3,375 hours.  
*Needs and Uses:* Section 73.62(b) requires an AM station with a directional antenna system to measure and log every monitoring point at least once for each mode of directional operation within 24 hours of detection of variance of operating parameters from allowed tolerances. The data is used by station engineers to correct the operating parameters of the directional antenna. The data is also used by FCC staff in field investigations to ensure that stations are in compliance with the technical requirements of the Commission's rules.

*OMB Control No.:* 3060-0634.  
*Title:* Section 73.691, Visual Modulation Monitoring.

*Form No.:* N/A.  
*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.  
*Respondents:* Businesses or other for profit; not-for-profit institutions.  
*Number of Respondents:* 70 (2 notifications per respondent).  
*Estimated Time Per Response:* 1.0 hours.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion reporting requirement.

*Cost to Respondents:* N/A.  
*Total Annual Burden:* 70 hours.  
*Needs and Uses:* Section 73.691(b) requires TV stations to enter into the station log the date and time of the initial technical problems that make it impossible to operate a TV station in accordance with the timing and carrier level tolerance requirements. If this operation at variance is expected to exceed 10 consecutive days, a notification must be sent to the FCC. The licensee must also notify the FCC upon restoration of normal operations. If causes beyond the control of the licensee prevent restoration of normal operations within 30 days, a written request must be made to the FCC. The data is used by FCC staff to maintain accurate and complete technical information about a station's operation. In the event that a complaint is received

from the public regarding a station's operation, this information is necessary to provide an accurate response.

*OMB Approval No.:* 3060-0804.  
*Title:* Universal Service—Health Care Providers Universal Service Program.  
*Form No.:* FCC Forms 465, 466, 467, and 468.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.  
*Respondents:* Business or other for profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 15,400.  
*Estimated Time Per Response:* 2.5 hours per response (avg.).

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion reporting requirement.

*Total Annual Burden:* 117,000 hours.  
*Cost to Respondents:* N/A.

*Needs and Uses:* FCC Form 465 "Description of Services Requested and Certification." All health care providers requesting services eligible for universal service support must file a "Description of Services and Certification" form with the Administrator. Filing this form is the first step health care providers must take to participate in the universal service program. The Administrator will then post a description of the services sought on a website for all potential competing service providers to see and respond to as if they were requests for proposals (RFPs). 47 CFR 54.603(b)(2), 47 CFR 54.615(c). FCC Form 466 "Services Ordered and Certification." All health care providers ordering services that are eligible for universal service support must file a "Services Ordered and Certification" form with the Administrator. 47 CFR 54.603(b)(4). Form 466, "Services Ordered and Certification," will be used to ensure health care providers have selected the most cost-effective method of providing the requested services as set forth in 47 CFR 54.603(b)(4). FCC Form 466 is also the means by which an applicant informs the Administrator that it has entered a contract with a telecommunications service provider for services that are supported under the universal services support program. The administrator must receive this form before it can commit universal service funds to support the services for which the applicant has contracted. FCC Form 467 "Receipt of Service Confirmation." All health care providers that are receiving supported telecommunications service must file this form with the Administrator. The data in the report will be used to ensure that health care providers are receiving the services they have contracted for with telecommunications service providers so that universal service support may be appropriate to the

telecommunications service provider pursuant to 47 CFR 54.611. FCC Form 468 "Telecommunications Service Providers Support." All health care providers ordering services eligible for universal service support must file this form. The data in the report will be used to ensure that health care providers have calculated the amount of universal service support as set forth in 47 CFR 54.609(b). Telecommunications carriers must complete Form 468 by indicating the rural and urban rates for the services they have provided and the amount of the discount for which they must be reimbursed, and return it to the health care provider. The health care provider must attach it to Form 466 and file both forms with the administrator. These forms are used to administer the health care providers universal service program. The information is used primarily to determine eligibility.

*OMB Approval No.:* 3060-0806.

*Title:* Universal Service—Schools and Libraries Universal Service Program.

*Form No.:* FCC Forms 470 and 471.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Respondents:* Business or other for profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 50,000.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 12 hours per response.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion reporting requirement.

*Total Annual Burden:* 600,000 hours.

*Cost to Respondent:* N/A.

*Needs and Uses:* On May 8, 1997, the Commission adopted rules in CC Docket No. 96-45 providing discounts on all telecommunications services, Internet access, and internal connections for all eligible schools and libraries. The following forms are used to implement these requirements and obligations: a. FCC Form 470 "Description of Services Requested and Certification." Schools and libraries ordering telecommunications services, Internet access, and internal connections under the universal service discount program must submit a description of the services desired to the Administrator. Schools and libraries may use the same description they use to meet the requirement that they generally face to solicit competitive bids. The Administrator will then post a description of the services sought on a website for all potential competing service providers to see and respond to as if they were requests for proposals (RFPs). b. FCC Form 471 "Services Ordered and Certification." Schools and libraries that have ordered telecommunications services, Internet access, and internal connections under

the universal service discount program must file FCC Form 471 with the Administrator. This form requires schools and libraries to indicate whether the funds are being requested for an existing contract, a master contract or whether it wishes to terminate service. Form 471 requires schools and libraries to list all services that have been ordered and the corresponding discount to which it is entitled. The school or library must also estimate its funding needs for the current funding year and for the following funding year. All schools and libraries planning to order services eligible for universal service discounts must file FCC Forms 470 and 471. The purpose of this information is to help determine which schools are eligible for the greater discounts. Schools and libraries must certify to the administrator that they have developed an approved technology plan via Form 470.

*OMB Approval No.:* 3060-0807.

*Title:* 47 CFR Section 51.803 and Supplemental Procedures for Petitions Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

*Form No.:* N/A.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Respondents:* Business or other for profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 50.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 40.8 hours per response.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion reporting requirement.

*Total Annual Burden:* 2,040 hours.

*Cost to Respondent:* N/A.

*Needs and Uses:* Any interested party seeking preemption of a state commission's jurisdiction based on the state commission's failure to act shall notify the Commission as follows: (1) File with the Secretary of the Commission a detailed petition, supported by an affidavit, that states with specificity the basis for any claim that it has failed to act; and (2) serve the state commission and other parties to the proceeding on the same day that the party serves the petition on the Commission. Within 15 days of the filing of the petition, the state commission and parties to the proceeding may file a response to the petition. In a Public Notice (DA 97-2540), the Commission sets out procedures for filing petitions for preemption pursuant to section 252(e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. (a) Filing of Petitions for Preemption. Each party seeking preemption should caption its

preemption petition, "Petition of {Petitioner's Name} pursuant to Section 252(e)(5) of the Communications Act (the Act)." In addition, on the date of the petition's filing, the petitioner should serve a copy of the petition by hand delivery on the Common Carrier Bureau, and send a copy to the Commission's contractor for public service records duplication. Section 51.803(a)(2) of the Commission's rules requires each party seeking preemption pursuant to section 252(e)(5) to "ensure that the state commission and the other parties to the proceeding or matter for which preemption is sought are served with the petition \* \* \* on the same date that the petitioning party serves the petition on the Commission." Therefore, each section 252(e)(5) petition should state in its certificate of service the steps it is taking to comply with this requirement (e.g., hand delivery or overnight mail). Petitions seeking preemption must be supported by affidavit and state with specificity the basis for the petition and any information that supports the claim that the state has failed to act. Each petitioner should append to its petition the full text of any State commission decision regarding the proceeding or other matter giving rise to the petition as well as the relevant portions of any transcripts, letters, or other documents on which the petitioner relies. Each petitioner should also provide a chronology of that proceeding or matter that lists, along with any other relevant dates, the date the petitioner requested interconnection, services, or network elements pursuant to section 251 of the Act, the dates of any requests for mediation or arbitration pursuant to section 252(a)(2) or (b)(1), and the dates of any arbitration decisions in connection with the proceeding or matter. (b) Submission of Written Comments by Interested Third Parties. Interested third parties may file comments on a preemption petition in accordance with a public notice to be issued by the Commission. All of the requirements are used to ensure that petitioners have complied with their obligations under the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

*OMB Approval No.:* 3060-0253.

*Title:* Part 68—Connection of Telephone Equipment to the Telephone Network (Sections 68.106, 68.108, 68.110).

*Form No.:* N/A.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Respondents:* Business or other for profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 57,540.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* .057 hours per response (avg).

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion reporting requirement.

*Total Annual Burden:* 3,280 hours.

*Cost to Respondents:* N/A.

*Needs and Uses:* Part 68 sets forth the terms and conditions for connection and for the registration of customer provided terminal equipment. The purpose of part 68 is to protect the network from certain types of harm and interference to other subscribers. Section 68.106 requires customers connecting terminal equipment or protective circuitry to the telephone network to provide, upon request, the particular line(s) to which such connection is made, the FCC registration number and ringer equivalence numbers necessary to the telephone company. Section 68.108 requires telephone companies to notify customers of possible discontinuance of service when customer's equipment is malfunctioning and to inform them of their right to file a complaint. Section 68.110 requires telephone companies to provide technical information concerning inter-face parameters not specified in Part 68 and to notify customers of changes in telephone company facilities, equipment, operations or procedures where such changes can be reasonably expected to render any customer's terminal equipment incompatible with the telephone company's communication facilities.

*OMB Approval No.:* 3060-0810.

*Title:* Procedures for Designation of Eligible Telecommunications Carriers Pursuant to Section 214(e)(6) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

*Form No.:* N/A.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit, states.

*Number of Respondents:* 35.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 47 hours per response (avg.).

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion reporting requirement.

*Total Annual Burden:* 1,650 hours.

*Cost to Respondents:* N/A.

*Needs and Uses:* The Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the Act), mandates that, after the date the Commission's rules implementing section 254 of the Act, only eligible telecommunications carriers may receive universal service support. The Commission's rules implementing section 254 of the Act take effect on January 1, 1998. Under the Act, state commissions must designate telecommunications carriers as eligible.

On December 1, 1997 Public Law 105-125 added subsection (e)(6) to section 214(e) of the Act. New section 214(e)(6) states that a telecommunications carrier that is not subject to the jurisdiction of a state may request that the Commission determine whether it is eligible. Specifically, section 214(e)(6) states that "[i]n the case of a common carrier \* \* \* that is not subject to the jurisdiction of a State commission, the Commission shall upon request designate such a common carrier that meets the requirements of paragraph (1) as an eligible telecommunications carrier for a service area designated by the Commission \* \* \*." The Commission must evaluate whether such telecommunications carriers, almost all of which are expected to be companies owned by Native American tribes, meet the eligibility criteria set forth in the Act. a. *Petition for Designation as Eligible Telecommunications Carriers Pursuant to Section 214(e)(6).* Carriers seeking designation from the Commission pursuant to section 214(e)(6) must demonstrate that they fulfill the requirements of section 214(e)(1). Carriers seeking designation from the Commission early in 1998 are instructed to provide specific information. See Public Notice, FCC 97-219, released 12/29/97. (No. of respondents: 25; hours per response: 58; total annual hours: 1450 hours). b. *Submission of Written Comments by Interested Third Parties.* Oppositions or comments on petitions are due 10 days after a Public Notice announcing receipt of a petition is released. Reply comments are due 7 days after comments are due. (No. of respondents: 10; hours per response: 20 hours; total annual burden: 200 hours). The Commission will use the information collected to determine whether the telecommunications carriers providing the data are eligible to receive universal service support.

*OMB Approval No.:* 3060-0802.

*Title:* Administration of the North American Numbering Plan, Order on Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 92-237 (Message Intercept Requirement).

*Form No.:* N/A.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 1,400.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 9 hours per response (avg.).

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion reporting requirement.

*Total Annual Burden:* 12,600 hours.

*Cost to Respondents:* N/A.

*Needs and Uses:* In response to concern expressed in the

reconsideration record that LECs should develop intercept messages to inform dial-around customers that they need to dial additional digits, the Order on Reconsideration in CC Docket No. 92-237 requires that LECs offer a standard intercept message beginning on or before June 30, 1998, explaining that a dialing pattern change has occurred and instructing the caller to contact its IXC for further information. In developing an intercept message, LECs must consult with IXCs and reach agreement on the content of the message and on the period of time during which the message will be provided. These requirements are necessary to educate end users about their inability to reach carriers using five-digit access codes, and the need to dial seven-digit access codes instead.

*OMB Approval No.:* 3060-0760.

*Title:* Access Charge Reform—CC Docket No. 92-262, First Report and Order; Second Order on Reconsideration and Memorandum Opinion and Order.

*Form No.:* N/A.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 14.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 128,906 hours per response (avg.).

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion and one-time reporting requirements.

*Total Annual Burden:* 1,804,690 hours.

*Cost to Respondents:* \$31,200.

*Needs and Uses:* In the First Report and Order, CC Docket No. 96-262, Access Charge Reform and the Second Order on Reconsideration and Memorandum Opinion and Order, the FCC adopts, that, consistent with principles of cost-causation and economic efficiency, nontraffic sensitive (NTS) costs associated with local switching should be recovered on an NTS basis, through flat-rated, per month charges. a. Showings under the Market-Based Approach: As competition develops in the market, the FCC will gradually relax and ultimately remove existing Part 69 federal access rate structure requirements and Part 61 price caps restrictions on rate level changes. Regulatory reform will take place in two phases. The first phase of regulatory reform will take place when an incumbent Local Exchange Carrier's (LEC) network has been opened to competition for interstate access services. The second phase of rate structure reforms will take place when an actual competitive presence has developed in the marketplace. LECs

may have to submit certain information to demonstrate that they have met the standards. b. Cost Study of Local Switching Costs: Price cap LEC are required to conduct a cost study to determine the geographically-average portion of local switching costs that is attributable to the line-side ports, and to dedicated trunk side cards and ports. c. Cost Study of Interstate Access Service that Remain Subject to Price Cap Regulation: To implement our backstop to market-based access charge reform, we require each incumbent price cap LEC to file a cost study no later than February 8, 2001, demonstrating the cost of providing those interstate access services that remain subject to price cap regulation because they do not face substantial competition. d. Tariff Filings: The Commission requires the filing of various tariffs. e. Third-Party Disclosure: In the Second Order on Reconsideration, the Commission requires LECs to provide IXC's with customer-specific information about how many and what type of presubscribed interexchange carrier charges (PICCs) they are assessing for each of the IXC's presubscribed customers. One of the primary goals of the First Report and Order was to develop a cost-recovery mechanism that permits carriers to recover their costs in a manner that reflects the way in which those costs are incurred. Without access to information that indicates whether the LEC is assessing a primary or non-primary residential PICC, or about how many local business lines are presubscribed to a particular IXC, the IXCs will be unable to develop rates that accurately reflect the underlying costs. The information required under these Orders would be used in determining whether the incumbent LECs should receive the regulatory relief proposed in the Orders. The information collected under the Second Order on Reconsideration and Memorandum Opinion and Order would be submitted by the LECs to the interexchange carriers (IXCs) for use in developing the most cost-efficient rates and rate structures.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Magalie Roman Salas,**

*Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

[Petition P1-98]

### China Ocean Shipping (Group) Company—Petition for Exemption From Section 9(c) of the Shipping Act of 1984 (Effective Date of Controlled Carrier Rates); Notice of Filing

Notice is hereby given that China Ocean Shipping (Group) Company ("Petitioner") has petitioned for an exemption pursuant to Section 16 of the Shipping Act of 1984, 46 U.S.C. app. 1715, seeking to be permitted to file rates in the United States cross trades on one day's notice to match (but not to undercut) the rates of competing carriers. The trades affected would be those trades between the United States and all countries other than the People's Republic of China.

In order for the Commission to make a thorough evaluation of the petition for exemption, interested persons are requested to submit views or arguments in reply to the petition no later than February 2, 1998. Replies shall consist of an original and 15 copies, be directed to the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, D.C. 20573-0001, and be served on Petitioner's counsel: Richard D. Gluck, Esq., Garvey, Schubert & Barer, 1000 Potomac Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20007.

Copies of the petition are available for examination at the Washington, D.C. office of the Secretary of the Commission, 800 N. Capitol Street, N.W., Room 1046.

**Joseph C. Polking,**

*Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

### Formations of, Acquisitions by, and Mergers of Bank Holding Companies

The companies listed in this notice have applied to the Board for approval, pursuant to the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 (12 U.S.C. 1841 *et seq.*) (BHC Act), Regulation Y (12 CFR Part 225), and all other applicable statutes and regulations to become a bank holding company and/or to acquire the assets or the ownership of, control of, or the power to vote shares of a bank or bank holding company and all of the banks and nonbanking companies owned by the bank holding company, including the companies listed below.

The applications listed below, as well as other related filings required by the Board, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank

indicated. The application also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the standards enumerated in the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1842(c)). If the proposal also involves the acquisition of a nonbanking company, the review also includes whether the acquisition of the nonbanking company complies with the standards in section 4 of the BHC Act. Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding each of these applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than February 6, 1998.

**A. Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland** (Jeffery Hirsch, Banking Supervisor) 1455 East Sixth Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44101-2566:

1. *Wayne Bancorp, Inc.*, Wooster, Ohio; to merge with Chippewa Valley Bancshares, Inc., Rittman, Ohio, and thereby indirectly acquire Chippewa Valley Bank, Rittman, Ohio.

**B. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City** (D. Michael Manies, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

1. *First Nebraska Bancs, Inc.*, Sidney, Nebraska; to merge with South Platte Bancorp Julesburg, Colorado, and thereby indirectly acquire First National Bank, Julesburg, Colorado.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, January 7, 1998.

**Jennifer J. Johnson,**

*Deputy Secretary of the Board.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

#### Termination of Travelers' Health Voice Service to the Public

**AGENCY:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the termination of the availability of Travelers' Health disease and health risk information by voice service to the public.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Roz Dewart, Chief, Travelers' Health Section, Division of Quarantine, National Center for Infectious Diseases,